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TO: Perchlorate Issue Group

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Welcome to the wonderful world of perchlorate. Now that you have this notebook you are probably wondering just what you have and what you should do with it. As you know, the objective of the upcoming Issue Group Meeting in Ontario, California, is to develop a multi-year research plan to address perchlorate contamination in the environment with the primary focus on treatment and analytical methodology issues. This research plan will take the form of an analysis of currently available information on the subject, identification of data and information gaps, and the identification of suggested projects to fill those data gaps. The suggested projects will be defined in "Project Descriptions." These Project Descriptions take a specific form addressing specific pieces of information. A completed Project Description, a blank Project Description, and an instructional Project Description are all included as the last documents in the "Background" section of this notebook. This Issue Group is being held in anticipation of funding being made available for perchlorate research. If we do our job well the results of this Issue Group Meeting will be useful to whatever organization may proceed forward with perchlorate research in the coming years.

What Is In It

This notebook is a collection of directly and indirectly related information to the subject of perchlorate contamination in the environment. Attached to this letter in the front pocket of the notebook is a detailed agenda for the meeting. It would be a good idea to check and see if you might be making a presentation on Tuesday afternoon. You *should* already know whether you are giving a presentation or not, but a number of changes took place in the last few days and some substitutions have occurred at the last minute.

Behind the cover sheet and bound in the notebook is a table of contents, and a list of attendees. The remainder of the notebook is divided into four general sections with tab dividers. The first section of the notebook is "Background" which includes some general information relating to perchlorate and the AWWA Research Foundation. The information on perchlorate should help

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